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Wavelets in Computer Graphics



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Morning Schedule

Introduction

Basics

- Time Frequency Analysis
- Building Wavelets at Home

Applications

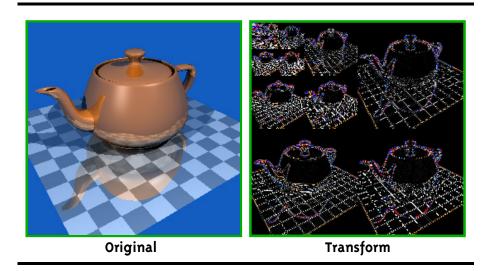
■ Curve Editing, Painting and Image Query David Salesin

Afternoon Schedule

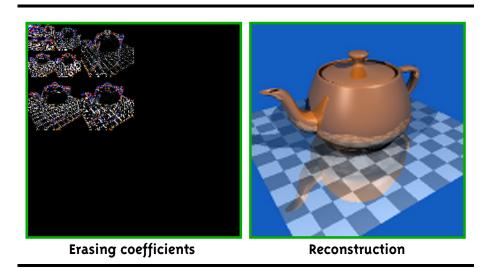
Applications:

- Multiresolution Surfaces, Tony DeRose
- Wavelet Radiosity, Peter Schröder
- Spherical Wavelets, Wim Sweldens
- Variational Modeling for Interactive Design and Animation, Michael Cohen

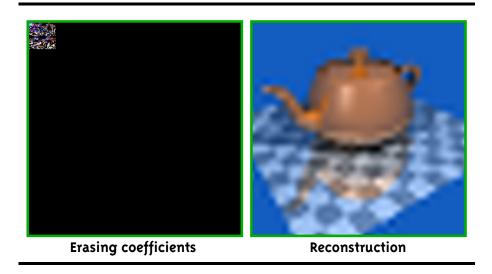
Wavelet Transform



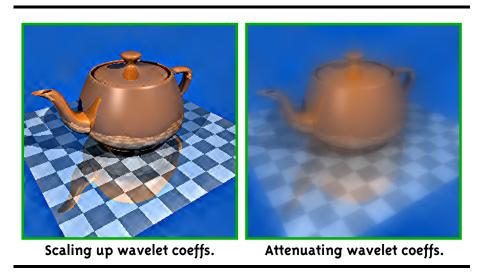
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Why?

Dealing with complexity

- large databases
 - many pixels: image manipulation, bandwidth
 - many patches: modeling, rendering
 - many parameters: optimization, animation

Hierarchy

- level-of-detail
- multiresolution

Foundation

Observation

most interesting data is not random

Exploit

■ structure, coherence, correlation, smoothness

Result

- more compact representation
- more efficient computations

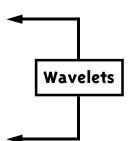
What?

Computational framework

- easy to implement
- fast: linear time
- wide applicability

Theoretical framework

- mathematical foundation
- analysis and error estimates



Where do Wavelets come from?

Many "parents"

- digital signal processing
 - filter banks
 - image compression
 - time frequency localization
- **■** physics
 - **■** coherent states

Where do Wavelets come from?

Many "parents"

- harmonic analysis
 - analysis of integral operators
- numerical analysis
 - fast multigrid solvers for PDEs and integral equations
- geometric modeling
 - subdivision

History

Highlights

■ 1911: Haar

■ 1930: Littlewood Paley

■ 1940: Gabor

■ 1960: Calderón-Zygmund

History

Highlights

■ 1984: continuous wavelet transform

■ 1985: subband coding

■ 1985: multiresolution analysis

■ 1988: orthogonal wavelets

■ 1990: biorthogonal wavelets

■ 1994: second generation wavelets

Roadmap

Signals and their frequency contents

- **■** Fourier
- windowed Fourier: Gabor
- **■** Wavelet